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Olivier de LACHARRIÈRE et al.) Group Art Unit: 1654
Application No.: 09/902,266) Examiner: M. Flood
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For: VITAMIN/METAL SALT COMPOSITIONS FOR REDUCING HAIR LOSS AND/OR PROMOTING HAIR REGROWTH))))

INTERVIEW SUMMARY

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Applicants thank the Examiner for the courtesies extended to their representative Martin A. Bruehs during the telephone interview on January 12, 2004. In particular, Applicants thank the Examiner for acknowledging that the Advisory Action mailed on January 9, 2003, is improper in view of the Request for Continued Examination (RCE) filed on December 15, 2003. Applicants understand that the Examiner has withdrawn the Advisory Action and entered the Submission filed with Applicants' December 15 RCE.

Should the Examiner have any questions concerning this communication or the application in general, Applicants invite the Examiner to telephone the undersigned at the Examiner's earliest convenience.

Respectfully submitted,

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